

THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

Friday, October 25, 2013

The Credentials Committee of the Virginia Board of Social Work convened at 8:38 a.m. on Friday, October 25, 2013 at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. Jennifer Blosser called the meeting to order.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Jennifer Blosser, Chair
Susan Horne-Quatannens (ex-officio)
Arthur Mayer
John Salay
Nettie Simon-Owens

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ABSENT:

Yvonne Haynes

STAFF PRESENT:

Catherine Chappell, Executive Director
Sarah Georgen, Licensing Manager
Patricia Larimer, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline
Charlotte Lenart, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Blosser welcomed the Committee members and called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the July 19, 2013 Credentials Committee meeting were approved as written.

CLOSED SESSION:

Mr. Mayer moved that the Committee convene in Closed Meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(4) in accordance with Section 2.2-3704(A) and 54.1-108 of the Code of Virginia to discuss applications for licensure. He moved that Catherine Chappell, Sarah Georgen, Patricia Larimer and Charlotte Lenart attend the Closed Meeting because their presence in the Closed Meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

OPEN SESSION:

Mr. Mayer moved that pursuant to Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia that the Committee heard, discussed or considered only those public business matters lawfully exempted from open

meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as identified in her motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Chappell presented a request for a waiver of the requirements for group supervision. The Committee considered the matter, but denied the request for more than six people to be in the group.

Additionally, the Committee considered 25 licensure and supervision requests. Files are referred by the Credentials Reviewer to the Committee for evaluation when the Reviewer is unable to render a decision. The files sent to the Committee represent a small percentage of the applications that are processed each quarter.

DECISION:

The Credentials Committee made the following determinations:

1. Approved six (6) applications;
2. Denied one (1) application due to professional conduct concerns;
3. Denied one (1) application due to conviction of a felony or of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude and experience waiver request;
4. Denied one (1) application due to past disciplinary action in another state;
5. Denied two (2) education waiver requests;
6. Denied two (2) applications due to educational concerns;
7. Denied twelve (12) applications due to deficient clinical experience requirements.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Credentials Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Jennifer Blosser, Chair

Catherine Chappell, Executive Director